



BUK Inducts 80 New Medical Doctors, 12 Dentists

By Nura Garba



Graduands taking hippocratic oath

Bayero University Kano (BUK) on Monday, 27th March, 2023 inducted 80 fresh graduands into Medicine and Surgery and Dentistry professions.

The ceremony saw the induction of 80 medical doctors who graduated as Bachelors of Medicine and Surgery (MBBS) and 12 others who graduated as Bachelors of Dental Surgery (BDS) from the university.

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sagir Adamu Abbas urged the inductees to uphold the virtues of the profession as well as strive hard to be good ambassadors of the University.

Represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, (Academics), Professor Sani Gumel, the Vice-Chancellor said the university has intensified effort in maintaining quality and standards in teaching and research, noting that the institution was rated the best university in Nigeria in terms of international outlook by Times Higher Education, United Kingdom and 4th best in Nigeria.

In her address, the Provost, College of Health Sciences, Professor Aisha Kuliya Gwarzo, said this is the 7th BDS and 21st MBBS induction.

She urged the new inductees to hold to the highest level of professionalism, integrity and dedication in the

discharge of their duties throughout their years of practice.

“Bear in mind that the approach you will use to work will be emphatic, with utmost respect and with sensitivity to your patients. You shall also stay up-to-date and be conversant with the latest medical advancement and remain open to new ideas as this is an ever-learning profession,” Professor Gwarzo added.

On his part, the Registrar, Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria, Dr. TAB Sanusi, lamented that despite the large number of students graduating from Nigerian institutions annually, the country is still running short of practicing doctors, courtesy of their mass exodus.

“Most of our practitioners, whenever they leave for training, they usually don’t come back. I hereby urge you all to be good ambassadors of this profession and give back to the community that made you who you are today,” the Registrar added.

The Registrar, who ushered in the *Hippocratic oath* to the graduands, charged them to adhere strictly to the professional ethics of the profession and desist from anything that would lead to the litigation owing to the violation of those ethics.

Dr Jamila Jamil Adam emerged as the best overall graduating student. Other winners are:
Best in Anatomy: Hadiza Bello Damagum



DVC (Academics), Prof. M. S. Gumel presenting a certificate to overall best graduating student, Dr. Jamila Jamil Adam

Best in Physiology: Hadiza Bello Damagum
 Best in Biochemistry: Abdussamad M. Nasir
 Best in Phacology: Zainab Yau Yunusa
 Best in Pharmacology: Hadiza Bello Damagum

Best in Obstetrics: Khadija Ibrahim Oyiza
 Best in Paediatrics: Hadiza Bello Damagum
 Best in Community Medicine: Khadijat Ibrahim Oyiza
 Best in Medicine: Fatima Ahmad Sulaiman
 Best in Surgery: Jamila Jamil Adam.

VC Receives NUC Audit Team for Part Time Degree Programmes

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Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas on Wednesday, 29th March, 2023 received an Audit Team from the National Universities Commission (NUC) that came to verify the part time degree programmes of the Continuing Education (SCE).

The leader of the team, Aisha Shehu Bello said they came under the instruction of the NUC Executive Secretary, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed to audit and review part-time programmes, saying that their assignment was truly a fact-finding mission.

She urged the cooperation and understanding of the University management and the team they would work with in order to have a successful and hitch-free exercise.

Responding, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas said it was a tradition of the University to always cooperate with the visiting teams especially that came from NUC, noting that the university gave an open door for the teams to do their assignments without any hitch.

The Vice Chancellor, who received the team along with the Deputy Vice Chancellor Academics, Professor M.S Gumel, Registrar, Jamil Ahmad Salim, Acting Bursar, Rabi'u Dauda and Director Vice Chancellor's Office, Malam Sheriff Ahmed, said the University would commence a distance learning programme at the next academic session. He said the University would expect a visit from NUC.



Group photograph of University Management, staff of DAP and NUC team

CDA Conducts 9th Monthly Industry Talk

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Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA) on Tuesday, 28th March, 2023 conducted its 9th Monthly Industry Talk with Deji Ige, Communications Advisor, Innov8 Hub, Abuja, made a presentation on *Industry Trends and Best Practices in Sustainable Agric Innova8 Hub*.

He said Innov8 Hub is a not-for-profit, non-governmental organization, with a mandate to groom innovators, inventors, researchers, creatives, entrepreneurs and venture creators; as well as inculcate the culture of innovation, creativity and entrepreneurship in Nigerians.

According to him, innovation and technology in sustainable agriculture is important for increased efficiency, sustainability, improved food quality, cost savings, adaptation to climate change, increased food security and encouragement of a vibrant value-chain in agriculture.

Others are poverty alleviation, job creation, discouragement of rural-urban migration and encouragement of youths in agriculture.

Speaking on the role of industry in sustainable agriculture, Mr. Ige explained that the industry has a critical role to play in promoting sustainable agriculture practices. "By investing in research and development, collaborating with farmers, reducing waste, and promoting sustainable agriculture standards, the industry can help to build a more sustainable future for agriculture and ensure that we can meet the growing demand for food while preserving the environment for future generations," he said

He shared the Innov8 Hub's experiences in agriculture trends to include mentoring Innovators/inventors with ideas they want to transform into invention, prototype development, overseeing the transition of prototypes into minimum viable products and connecting innovators with investors.

Others are providing the facilities, technologies and

environment for individuals to develop their ideas into innovations and promoting technologies and techniques in line with international best practices, as well as skill & knowledge impartation.

According to him in the last two years, over 15 agro-ventures have been created with the mentoring and guidance of the Hub. They are: Soilless Farm Labs, Farm Intrusion Detection System, iSmart Hive, Biofertilizer, Think bikes and Farmisphere Cold Box. Others are Achi Greens, Sogi Auto Feeder for Aquaculture, Birds Electronic Repellant and Gas-Powered Egg Incubator.

He advocated the need for Triple Helix synergy among the industry, academia and the government, noting that the



Director CDA, Deputy Directors, staff of CDA, PG students and some faculty members listening to the lecture presentation

industry throws challenges to the Academia, the Academia proffers solution to the challenges and sells to the industry and government supports with enabling environment, funds, policies and initiatives.

The presentation was done via zoom platform and many postgraduate students, CDA staff and some faculty members attended.

Appointment and Re-appointment

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, has approved the appointments and re-appointment of the under listed staff:

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	APPOINTMENT	EFFECTIVE
1	Dr. Abubakar Isa Umar	Department of Private and Commercial Law	Appointed as the Dean, Faculty of Law	20 th March, 2023 - 19 th March, 2025
2	Dr. Bala Danyaro Aminu	Department of English and Literary Studies	Re-appointed as the Head, Department of English and Literary Studies	29 th March, 2023
3	Dr. Musa Abubakar Alkali	Department of Estate Management	Appointed as the Head, Department of Estate Management	31 st March, 2023
4	Professor Omar Ahmed Umar	Department of Chemical and Petroleum Engineering	Appointed as the Head, Department of Chemical and Petroleum Engineering	2 nd April, 2023

Bayero University Research Exhibition (BUREXHIBIT 2023)

The Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership (DRIP) and the Africa Centre of Excellence in Dryland Agriculture (ACEDA) invite all staff and students to the maiden edition of the BUREXHIBIT 2023. The purpose of the exhibition is to provide opportunities for researchers, research groups and research centres of Bayero University, and neighbouring industries in Kano, to showcase the outputs of their research and innovation activities to the public.

The exhibition is scheduled to hold as follows:

Date: April 5th, 2023

Venue: CDA premises,

Mode: physical product and poster presentation.

Interested participants are requested to submit their manuscript with the following specifications:

- 1) Title of the project - 20 words (maximum)
- 2) Name and affiliations of the researchers
- 3) Abstract - 150 words (maximum)
- 4) Methodology - 100 words maximum
- 5) Findings/Results - 50 words
- 6) Diagram(s), and/or table(s), and/or picture(s)
- 7) Application of research output - 10 words
- 8) Knowledge creation - 10 words
- 9) Overall length of manuscript - 1 A4 page

It should be noted that:

- a) Only manuscripts that meet the specifications outlined shall be published in the book of abstract,
- b) Only projects that demonstrate research and innovation excellence shall be selected,
- c) Best projects in terms of innovation shall be identified and rewarded.

For more information, please contact: Prof. I. A. Yakasai, Tel: 08065299007.

Notification on the 2022/2023 10th ARSO Continental Essay Competition on Standardisation

The African Organisation for Standardisation (ARSO), a body of the African Union (AU) and the Continental umbrella body for all National Standards Bodies (NSBs) in Africa instituted an annual Continental Essay competition since 2014. The competition is open for students below the age of 35 years and in government approved institutions of higher learning in Africa. The aim is to engage and sensitize African youths on the benefits of Standards in the socio-economic development of the Continent and indeed their respective countries.

African Organisation for Standardization in collaboration with Standard Organisation of Nigeria (SON), announce the 10th Continental Essay Competition 2022/2023 Theme: *“The role of standardization in promoting the growth of Micro, Small and Medium – sized enterprises (MSMES) for sustainable, inclusive and diversified Industrial and economic development in Africa”*

Prizes

CONTINENTAL

1st Position	-	\$1,000.00
2 nd Position	-	\$800.00
3 rd Position	-	\$500.00

NATIONAL

1 st Position	-	N250,000.00
2 nd Position	-	N100,000.00
3 rd Position	-	N50,000.00

ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES

All students in Government approved higher institution of learning in Africa:

- Colleges
- Universities
- Monotechnics
- Polytechnic

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CLOSING DATE

12:00 Midnight on Friday, 31st March, 2023

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